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SUBJECT: VISIT OF DANISH FOREIGN MINISTER TO JAPAN

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1. THE PRESS HAS NOW MADE PUBLIC THE FACT DANISH FOREIGN MINISTER K.B. ANDERSEN WILL PAY AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO JAPAN ON FEBRUARY 27-28 IN HIS CAPACITY AS CHAIRMAN OF THE EC COUNCIL OF MINISTERS (TRIP WAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED IN COPENHAGEN 1011 - NOTAL). THE ANNOUNCED PURPOSE OF THE TRIP IS TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES FOR INCREASED JAPANESE IMPORTS FROM THE EC AND "TO AVOID A TRADE CONFLICT." SOME OF THE PRESS REPORTS NOTED THAT JAPAN RECENTLY MADE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES TO EASE AMERICAN IMPORTS BUT HAS "IGNORED EC INTERESTS."

2. FOREIGN MINISTRY PERMANENT UNDER SECRETARY ERSBOLL INFORMED US LAST WEEK IN CONFIDENCE THAT FOREIGN
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MINISTER ANDERSEN'S "LINE" IN TOKYO WOULD BE FIRST TO ENCOURAGE THE JAPANESE TO FULFILL THEIR MACRO-ECONOMIC PROMISES REGARDING GNP GROWTH AND SECOND TO UNDERTAKE SPECIFIC MEASURES (E.G., TARIFF REDUCTIONS) THAT WOULD BENEFIT EC EXPORTS TO JAPAN. ERSBOLL INDICATED THAT EC MEMBERS WERE CONTRIBUTING TO A LIST OF PARTICULAR EXPORTS ON WHICH THEY HOPED THE

JAPANESE WOULD BE FORTHCOMING.

3. WRSBOLL STATED THAT ANDERSEN'S APPROACH WOULD BE
"CAUTIOUS" AND THAT HE WOULD TRY TO AVOID ANY APPEAR-
ANCE THAT THE EC AND THE U.S. WERE GANGING UP ON
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